



**State of Utah**

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## **UTAH STATE TAX COMMISSION**

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*Executive Director*

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Gov. Gary R. Herbert appointed R. Bruce Johnson to serve as chair of the Utah State Tax Commission today.

Commissioner Johnson, who has served on the four-member Tax Commission since 1998, replaces retiring chair Pam Hendrickson.

"Because of his broad knowledge of tax law and policy, Bruce has the respect of professionals in the private and public sectors," Gov. Herbert said. "He is a recognized national expert on state tax policy issues and I appreciate his willingness to serve."

Prior to his service as a Tax Commissioner, Mr. Johnson was a partner in the law firm of Holme Roberts & Owen LLP, where he litigated state and local tax disputes. He also advised clients on state and local tax issues, tax exemption issues, and issues relating to public financing. He also worked as a trial attorney for the Tax Division of the U.S. Department of Justice.

Commissioner Johnson graduated from the University of Utah with a degree in accounting, cum laude, and is a Certified Public Accountant. He received his law degree, magna cum laude, from Brigham Young University where he was a J. Reuben Clark Scholar.